

# The Blazed Trail

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## CHAPTER XXIV.

FOR a moment they sat listening to the clear staccato knocking of the distant blows and the more forceful thuds of the man nearer at hand.

"What are they doing? Are they cutting lumber?" asked Hilda.

"No," answered Thorpe; "we do not cut saw logs at this time of year. They are clearing out a road."

"Where does it go to?"

"Well, nowhere in particular—that is, it is a logging road that starts at the river and wanders up through the woods where the pine is."

"How clear the axes sound. I would like to know more about it," she sighed, a quaint little air of childish petulance grating two lines between her eyebrows. "Do you know, Harry, you are a singularly uncommunicative sort of a being. I have to guess that your life is interesting and picturesque. Sometimes I think you are not nearly poet enough for the life you are living. Why, you are wonderful, you men of the north, and you let us ordinary mortals who have not the gift of divination imagine you entirely occupied with how many pounds of iron chain you are going to need during the winter." She said these things lightly, as one who speaks things not for serious belief.

"It is something that way," he agreed, with a laugh.

"Sit there," she breathed very softly, pointing to the dried needles on which her feet rested.

He obeyed.

"Now tell me," she breathed, still in the fascinated monotone.

"What?" he inquired.

"Your life; what you do; all about it. You must tell me a story."

Thorpe settled himself more lazily and laughed with quiet enjoyment.

"The story of the woods," he began, "the story of the saw log. It would take a bigger man than I to tell it. I doubt if any one man ever would be big enough. It is a dream, a struggle, a battle. Those men you hear there are only the skirmishers extending the firing line. I'll have to hurry now to get those roads done and a certain creek cleared before the snow. Then we'll have to keep on the keen more to finish our cutting before the deep snow, to haul our logs before the spring thaws, to float them down the river while the freshest water lasts. When we gain a day we have scored a victory, when the wilderness puts us back an hour we have suffered a defeat."

The girl placed her hand on his shoulder. He covered it with his own.

"But we win!" he cried. "We win!"

"That is what I like," she said softly, "the strong spirit that wins." She hesitated, then went on gently: "I went walking yesterday morning before you came over, and after awhile I found myself in the most awful place—the stumps of trees, the dead branches, the trunks lying all about and the glaring hot sun over everything. Harry, there was not a single bird in all that waste, a single green thing." She seized his fingers in her other hand. "Harry," she said earnestly, "I don't believe I can ever forget that experience any more than I could have forgotten a battlefield were I to see one."

The man twisted his shoulder uneasily and withdrew his hand.

"Harry," she said again after a pause, "you must promise to leave this woods until the very last. I suppose it must all be cut down some day, but I do not want to be here to see after it is all over. Men do not care much for keepsakes, do they, Harry? But even a man can feel the value of a great beautiful keepsake such as this, can't he, dear? Our meeting place—do you remember how I found you down there by the old pole trail staring at though you had seen a ghost? It must always be our most sacred memory. Promise me you will save it until the very, very last."

Thorpe remained silent.

In selecting the districts for the season's cut he had included in his estimates this very grove. Other bodies of timber promising a return of \$10,000 were not to be found near the river, and time now lacked for the cutting of roads to more distant forests.

"Hilda," he broke in abruptly at last, "the men you hear are clearing a road to this very timber."

"What do you mean?" she asked.

"This timber is marked for cutting this very winter."

She had not a suspicion of the true state of affairs. "Isn't it lucky I spoke of it?" she exclaimed. "You must see to it today, now!"

She sprang up impulsively and stood waiting for him. He arose more slowly.

"Hilda, I cannot," he said.

She stood very still for some seconds. "Why not?" she asked quietly.

"Because I have not time to cut a road through to another bunch of pine. It is this or nothing."

"Why not nothing, then?"

"I want the money this will bring."

"His choice of a verb was unfortunate."

"Will you tell me for what you want the money?" she asked.

The young man caught the note of distrust. At once, instinctively, his own confidence vanished. He drew

## AN UNUSUAL SCENE

Opening of British Parliament Marked by Dramatic Incident.

## THE HOUSE SPELLBOUND

When Austen Chamberlain Arose to Defend His Father's Party Interest Arose Supreme.

A Situation Without Parallel in the Memory of the Oldest Politician.

London, Feb. 3.—"My right honorable friend, the member from West Birmingham," as Austen Chamberlain described his father, was the central figure in the drama that marked the opening of parliament.

No playwright could have devised a more curious situation. For the first time in years Joseph Chamberlain took his seat as a private member of the house of commons, and was separated from his former colleagues in the cabinet by the gangway. From this seat he saw his son act as leader of the house of commons, a position which Joseph Chamberlain, with all his years of parliamentary experience, never attained.

Premier Balfour was laid up with influenza and therefore was unable to be present. When Austen Chamberlain arose to reply in behalf of the party of which his own father is believed to be the most powerful member, the house was spellbound. Until that moment Mr. A. Chamberlain, secretary of state for home affairs, was generally expected to take Premier Balfour's place, and interest in the proceedings was heightened by the fact that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader, had just concluded a merciless satire on Austen Chamberlain's father. The situation was without parallel in the recollection of the oldest politician, and all eyes were fixed alternately upon the father and the son.

Joseph Chamberlain, who had sat unmoved under the ridicule of the Liberal leader, turned nervously toward his son, who now takes precedence over him. With his monocle in his eye, an orchid in his buttonhole and his hands clasped across his knees, the most prominent figure in the British empire sat and listened to his own defense from the lips of his son.

Austen Chamberlain spoke haltingly and under evident strain; yet, when he referred to his father, it was always as "the member from West Birmingham." There was a tinge of impassioned feeling in his words which brought constantly to his hearers a realization of the relation between the two men. Now and again jeers greeted the youngest member of the cabinet, whereupon, with unmistakable anger, his father turned his glance in the direction of the offender and occasionally Joseph Chamberlain cheered his son with an emphatic "Hear, hear!"

As Austen Chamberlain neared the conclusion of his defense of the attitude of Premier Balfour and his father toward the fiscal question, the interruptions grew more frequent and the chancellor of the exchequer clutched the brass-bound treasury box on which Gladstone was so fond of leaning and addressed his remarks almost solely in the direction of his father. Defiantly Austen Chamberlain accused Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman of attacking the premier in his absence, and with a touch of pride, said: "The member from West Birmingham is here; he can speak for and look after himself."

The house finally expressed its relief when the speech was over and generally termed the proceeding as one of the most extraordinary personal situations that ever had occurred, and the speech as one of the weakest defenses of the government's policy ever made.

Uncle Sam Will Keep Out.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The attention of the state department having been called to the Paris cablegram quoting an alleged Washington dispatch to the effect that the United States was co-operating with Great Britain and France to bring pressure to bear upon Japan in the interest of peace, it was stated by the acting secretary that there had been no such concerted action; that the United States had not and would not act with any other power in this matter.

Firemen Sacrificed in Flames.

Knoxville, Tenn., Feb. 3.—Fire in the heart of the wholesale district last night caused a loss of \$400,000 and cost the lives of two firemen. The dead are: William A. Maxey, captain of Hose Company No. 2; John J. Dunn, an ex-fireman who was assisting at the fire.

Children Caught in Flames.

Somerset, Pa., Feb. 3.—The house of Frank Bennett, at Berlin, was destroyed by fire and two children aged nine and twelve years burned to death. A lamp explosion caused the fire.

Russian Fleet Is Ready.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 3.—A dispatch from Vladivostok says the Russian fleet at Vladivostok has been fully equipped for immediate service and prepared for sea.

Dewey Trial In Progress.

Norton, Kas., Feb. 3.—The trial of the three Dewey ranchmen charged with murdering three members of the Berry family on the Rawlins-Cheyenne counties border on June 3, 1903, is in progress in the county district court.

## 16THMIAN WARFARE

Colombian Troops Reported Aggressive on San Blas Coast.

Panama, Feb. 3.—A report has reached the isthmus that Colombian troops are fighting with the Indians on the San Blas coast, which is in Panama territory. It is impossible, however, to obtain reliable confirmation of this.

The United States gunboat Bancroft was to have sailed yesterday from Colon to Bocas del Toro, but the order was countermanded at the last moment because of the report of fighting on the coast. A letter was received here some time ago from Captain Torres, commanding the Panamanian troops at Chepo (on the south side of the isthmus and directly south of the San Blas country), saying he had decided to cross over to the Atlantic side. There is a possibility that the Indians are fighting with Captain Torres' command, mistaking them for Colombians.

## TOOK IT TO HEART

Cast-off Bride and Groom, Decide on Suicide.

Saginaw, Mich., Feb. 3.—The wedding here last week of Corporal Chas. A. Valois of Company H, 26th United States infantry, home on furlough, and Miss Mabel Steiner, had a tragic climax when the young couple took poison in a room at James Wynn's rooming house on Franklin street. The match was a case of love at first sight, and met the disapproval of the parents of each of them. They left a letter saying that their parents had turned them out and they had no place to go, and decided to die together. Mrs. Valois died from a dose of carbolic acid and laudanum.

In His Own Behalf.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Testifying in his own behalf in the postal trial, Diller B. Groff, a brother of Samuel A. Groff, declared that when he sought to introduce the letter-box fastener into the postal service he had no idea of "reaching" Machen through Mr. Lorenz or anybody else, directly or indirectly. He denied that Machen's name ever was mentioned to him at the time Mr. Lorenz made the agreement in 1895 with the Groff brothers, and that had Mr. Lorenz intimated in any way that he would use his influence with Machen, all negotiations would have been at an end. When he sent checks to Mr. Lorenz in Toledo he said he knew nothing of any remittances being forwarded by Mr. Lorenz to Machen.

Revolutionists Make Advance.

Buenos Ayres, Feb. 3.—Reports received here from revolutionary sources in Uruguay say that the insurgents command the whole coast of Salto, to Colonia. The forces of Gen. Saravia, the insurgent leader, are said to be approaching Montevideo. The political prisoners at Montevideo have been sent to Isalde Flores.

His Dream Is Over.

Toronto, Feb. 3.—William Brown, alias A. E. Stewart, who as Prince Atholbald Stewart Demodena, married the Countess Russell of London, Eng., and who was arrested here on charges of vagrancy, has been sentenced to six months in jail.

They Robbed the Dead.

Chicago, Feb. 3.—Charged with robbing the body of a woman victim of the Iroquois theater fire, Louis Witze, a saloon keeper, was found guilty. T. McCarthy and Charles Conway were convicted of aiding Witze.

## MARKET REPORT

Prevailing Prices for Grain, Provisions and Livestock on Feb. 2.

Indianapolis Grain and Livestock.  
Wheat—Wagon, 90c; No. 2 red, strong, 90c; No. 3 red, strong, 88c; No. 4 red, strong, 86c; No. 5 red, strong, 84c; No. 6 red, strong, 82c; No. 7 red, strong, 80c; No. 8 red, strong, 78c; No. 9 red, strong, 76c; No. 10 red, strong, 74c; No. 11 red, strong, 72c; No. 12 red, strong, 70c; No. 13 red, strong, 68c; No. 14 red, strong, 66c; No. 15 red, strong, 64c; No. 16 red, strong, 62c; No. 17 red, strong, 60c; No. 18 red, strong, 58c; No. 19 red, strong, 56c; No. 20 red, strong, 54c; No. 21 red, strong, 52c; No. 22 red, strong, 50c; No. 23 red, strong, 48c; No. 24 red, strong, 46c; No. 25 red, strong, 44c; No. 26 red, strong, 42c; No. 27 red, strong, 40c; No. 28 red, strong, 38c; No. 29 red, strong, 36c; No. 30 red, strong, 34c; No. 31 red, strong, 32c; No. 32 red, strong, 30c; No. 33 red, strong, 28c; No. 34 red, strong, 26c; No. 35 red, strong, 24c; No. 36 red, strong, 22c; No. 37 red, strong, 20c; No. 38 red, strong, 18c; No. 39 red, strong, 16c; No. 40 red, strong, 14c; No. 41 red, strong, 12c; 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MANY democrats are saying that they must nominate a man for president who is generally unknown. They argue that no democrat with a "record" can win. The nominee must be a dark and unknown horse.

SENATOR FAIRBANKS made a notable speech in the senate this week on the Panama question, upholding the action of the administration. It is probably the ablest speech yet made in congress on this subject.

SINCE the Jackson county delinquent tax list was advertised according to law, it will care to invest in tax titles in this county this year. No prudent man will take any chances with his money under such circumstances. It is plain that the delinquent list was not advertised as the law requires. The attorney general says it was not. Then who will take chances in bidding in any of the property on which taxes are delinquent? Public officers should do their duty as the law specifies and the county attorney who advises an officer to disobey the law is following a course wholly unwarranted.

**Gravel Road Contractors.**

The county commissioners have awarded the following gravel roads in Washington and Brownstown townships:

Lahrman and Goss road, to Samuel Smallwood at \$1,889.05.  
Richards and Starr road to Wm. H. Shields at \$1,469.  
Vallonia and ditch road, to Samuel Smallwood at \$2,166.50.  
Hackman road, to DeGolyer & Moritz at \$1,622.40.

**SPARKSVILLE.**

Miss Edith Esten is sick.

Mrs. Martha Pollick went to Medora Monday to stay in the family of Eck Carr.

Several from Ft. Ritner, Leesville, Greasy Creek, Ditzey and Weddieville attended church at this place Sunday night.

James Trueblood, who has been here visiting relatives, returned to his home in Vincennes Saturday.

Born to Wm. Barnett and wife, Thursday, January 27, a son.

John Summers, of Peardie, was in our town Saturday.

David and Ferd Green, who have been working in Illinois, are here visiting their parents, D. N. Green and wife.

Miss Kate Early has been suffering for the past two weeks with a swollen jaw.

Rev. H. C. Pearson closed a ten day's meeting at this place Sunday night and returned to Seymour Monday.

Grandma Tryon died Wednesday night at 10:30 o'clock of old age. She was 99 years old. Mrs. Tryon was born in Ohio in 1805. She was married to Luke Tryon in Ohio and from there they came to this place in 1848. Born to them eleven children, six daughters and five sons, three of whom are living, Robert, James and Lincoln. Her home was with her son James at the time of her death. She will be greatly missed by all. Rev. H. C. Pearson presided at the funeral at the Presbyterian church Friday at 12 o'clock in the afternoon.

**RUSSEL CHAPEL.**

Samuel Rhode took his hogs to the Brownstown market Monday.

Miss Daisy Warner is staying at Mrs. Polly Beldons.

Miss Angie Warner is staying at Henry Bishop's.

Born to Mr. Wilson and wife, Jan. 26, a daughter.

Dr. Converse came to Daniel Henderson's Saturday to visit a few days.

Miss Mattie Demundrum went to Seymour Monday to stay in the family of A. H. DeGolyer.

Herschel Johnson and brother and Will Wilson, of Washington county, visited Walter Tatlock's Sunday.

Rev. James Hawn took dinner with his daughter, Mrs. Mel Nichols Saturday.

Miss Flossie Erhart returned to her home at Last Vernon Sunday.

Thomas Price came down to his father's last Friday.

Next Sunday is Rev. Bolten's regular appointment at half past two.

**EAST GRASSY.**

Matt Reynolds and Charley Stille went to Seymour Saturday with logs for Ed. McDonald.

Thomas Killey and wife were visiting at Jake Keller's Sunday.

Daily Trowbridge spent Saturday night and Sunday at J. C. Gossman's near Brownstown.

George Passwater hauled hay to Crothersville last night for F. J. Schuler.

Miss Bertha Collins, who has been staying at Brownstown, came home Sunday.

John Keller is still improving and will soon be able to sit up.

**To cure a Cold in Head, snuff 10 Drops of Brazilian Balm. Guaranteed.**

**PLEASANT GROVE.**

Mrs. Wm. McNiece, who has been in very poor health, is better. Dr. Wilson is the attending physician.

John Bultman and wife visited the latter's parents at Snygo Sunday.

On account of the recent high waters our mail carrier was unable to make his usual rounds until Friday morning. Of course everyone had to go to the postoffice on Thursday to get the REPUBLICAN.

Sam Davis and wife, of Kurtz, was the guest of Buck Burrell and wife the first part of last week.

Will and Ollie Rinehart are at Seymour cutting wood for Cyrus Crabb.

The young people are having great sport now skating and coasting.

Misses Jennie and Jessie Garis visited Hoyt Allison and family Sunday.

Levi Bridgewater remains about the same.

Next Sunday night is our regular preaching time. Everybody is cordially invited to come out.

Tip Wilson and wife visited Tom Bridgewater and wife Sunday.

Miss Bona Robertson is doing domestic work in the family of Wm. McNiece.

Price McNiece who has been suffering from rheumatism, is improving.

Mrs. Cecil Browning is visiting her mother-in-law, Mrs. Berry Richards, at this place.

Wm. Richards, our worthy stock buyer, shipped a load of stock Monday.

Grandma Bultman is improving slowly.

**RED BRUSH.**

Protracted meeting is still in progress at the school house here.

Lafayette Beyers, of Heltonville, is visiting his uncle, Wm. Wineinger, a few days.

Ira Isaacs and family, of Surprise, visited Wm. Wineinger and family Sunday.

Fox hunters caught a fox here last week.

James Hawn will preach at Red Brush school house Friday night, Feb. 4.

Ben Hughes brought W. S. Brock a load of bran from Ewing Monday morning.

The snow is the deepest here for many years.

G. C. Weddel will go to Davies county in a few days to work the coming summer for W. S. Noe.

Candidates are getting thick in this community.

**CORTLAND.**

Rev. T. D. Hall closed his protracted meeting at Surprise Friday night, having six additions.

Charles White is the proudest man in Hamilton township. After being blessed with six girls in succession he has a fine son to comfort him in his old age. It was born Jan. 29.

The thermometers all showed 20 degrees below zero for two days last week.

The doctors report all the cases of measles as getting better.

J. H. Hodapp is loading three cars of corn here this week.

**THE QUALITY OF GENIUS.**

Its Practical Absorption of a Man's Best Faculties.

To be a great lawyer is incompatible with being a great poet. Nevertheless, Shakespeare was fond of showing his little legal knowledge, and Bacon has written some verse. There have been writers of eminence, like Walter Scott and Thackeray, who were lawyers by profession, but they must have made law quite subordinate to literature, although some of them, like Walter Scott, have got money by following the law. Hoffman, the author of "The Pot of Gold" and other imaginative stories, was a man of genius, who was also a judge or a magistrate. I think, however, that his legal duties sat lightly on him. His connection with the law seems somewhat similar to that of Walter Scott. It was neither absorbing nor permanent. Politicians turn to literature. Literary men, like Chateaubriand and Lamartine, have held high places as politicians, but they never were real statesmen, and I should not call them men of great genius. A man of action may be great in more fields of action than one. Julius Caesar and Napoleon Bonaparte were statesmen and generals, but they were not and could not be poets, though Julius Caesar was a writer. Among the ancient Greeks and later Spaniards and Portuguese we find poets who were soldiers and even generals. They, however, were not wholly military. Only a part, and sometimes a small part, of their lives was spent in service. Horace's experience of war was very short, and although he was a military tribune, he was not a distinguished soldier. A man may be excellent in more ways than one, but he cannot be a man of genius in two different ways. A few instances, such as that of Sheridan, might be given which seem to be exceptions to the rule. I doubt whether they are so. The same inclination made Sheridan an orator and a writer of comedy. Notes and Queries.

**ART TREASURES.**

"I understand you have a number of art treasures."

"Any number of 'em," answered Mr. Cumrox.

"By the way, how would you define an art treasure?"

"An art treasure, as nearly as I can figure it out, is something that is considered all the more valuable for being secondhand goods."—Washington Star.

**Saw His Finish.**

"Oh, oh," exclaimed Mrs. Naggs. "I've bitten off the end of my tongue!"

"Well, I certainly feel sorry for myself," rejoined the heartless Naggs. "Hereafter there will be no end to your tongue."—Buffalo News.

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**REDDINGTON.**

Mrs. Sarah Day is sick.

L. W. Godfrey and wife went to Cincinnati Wednesday to see their son who is sick at the hospital. They found him some better and returned home Friday.

Ed Davis has taken possession of the store which he purchased of Geo. Davis last week. They exchanged residences Tuesday.

A profitable and enjoyable time was had at a spelling school Thursday evening given by our teacher, Mary Brown.

Adam Shank, who has been visiting his daughter in Illinois for several months, has returned home.

Mr. Woodson and family, of Conlogue, visited Bert Brooks and family Sunday.

Ed Davis and wife visited relatives at Azalia Thursday.

C. B. Davis was in this neighborhood Saturday.

George Davis and wife visited Mrs. Ellen Hazenwahl, of Seymour, Thursday.

Madie Day visited her aunt, Stella Shields, over Sunday.

John Mathena, who moved to Scipio a short time ago, has moved back and will work for George Ebaugh.

Clarence and Orville Swengel, of Chestnut Ridge, visited relatives at this place Sunday.

George McClintock and family after an extended visit with relatives at this place, returned to their home in Green county Friday.

Sam McClintock and wife visited Calvin Davis and family Thursday.

Mrs. Minerva Glosson and daughter Miss Lulu, of Ebenezer, called at our friends at this place Friday.

Val Fox and wife, of the county line east, and several others were the guests of Jake Baldwin and family Monday night. Mrs. Fox furnished music on the graphophone.

**CANA.**

Uncle Edwin Coryell has been ill, but is improving.

George Schuler and wife, of Crothersville, were the guests at H. H. Rowland's, Sunday.

Jacob Sharp visited relatives at Indianapolis Saturday and Sunday and brought a ten year old girl from the orphan home with him.

O. M. Coryell is getting his mill yard filled with logs.

There was a rural mail inspector in our neighborhood last week relocating the Crothersville No. 2 and Comiskey No. 1. The most of Cana's patrons will be supplied by Crothersville.

W. M. Robbins received twenty-seven letters Friday from friends congratulating him upon having reached his sixty-third birthday. Some had been in the carrier's possession several days.

Several of the young people of Uniontown and Wesley Chapel attend the meeting here. The meeting closed with a few accessions and conversions Monday evening.

**NEW DRIFTWOOD.**

Miss Lydia Leerkamp is slowing improving.

Henry Hoevenier spent Sunday with his parents at this place.

Fred Toborg has been very sick with quinsy.

Miss Ella Quin, who has been staying with her aunt, near Seymour, the past two weeks, has returned home.

Christian Smith's children have the measles.

Agents are very numerous in this neighborhood.

Louis Toppe and family, of Crothersville, came up to see Miss Lydia Leerkamp Sunday.

Roscoe Sweeney has rented James Ruddick's place and will move soon.

**HIGH MOUNT.**

Albert Bennett, of Columbus, passed through this community last week.

Back Sutherland and family visited friends and relatives at Freetown Sunday.

Ham Rutan and sister visited friends and relatives at Spraytown Sunday.

Wm. Settles moved into the house of Buck Sutherland Monday.

Wm. Sutherland and wife made a business trip to Freetown Thursday.

Charles Weekly and wife visited in the family of Robert Weekly and wife Sunday.

**WASKOM.**

The saw mill on John Pollert's place will begin running soon.

Peter Meahl, wife and daughter, Lillie, visited in the family of Martin Tormohlen Thursday.

Walter Waskom and Omri Duncan were at Brownstown, Friday on business.

Wade Empson was at Vallonia on business Tuesday.

John Hess and wife visited the latter's parents here Sunday.

J. W. Duncan and family visited in the family of A. M. Duncan at South Driftwood Sunday.

The man in the moon is winking and blinking for a wedding soon.

Mrs. William Hackman and daughter Lydia, visited the family of Daniel Empson Sunday.

Michael Waskom and wife attended church at Tampico Sunday.

About twenty young people gathered at the home of Miss Addie Waskom Saturday night and reminded her of her 14th birthday. She received several presents. The evening was spent pleasantly. Those who were present were, Hattie Sheats, Clarence Pollert, Mary Sheats, Idessa Fogelting, Ralph Duncan, Ray Stunkel, Leigh Sheats, Lucy Pollert, Ella Duncan, Sanford Stunkel, Dale Duncan, Virgil Crockett, Hubert Doerr, Lullie Borchering, Virgil Duncan, Marion Empson, Walter Waskom and Mattie Empson. All left happy and reported a fine time. We hope she will have many more such birthdays.

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**DEER LICK.**

Grandma Day is sick.

Mrs. J. A. Fox is on the sick list.

Rev. Hall filled his regular appointment Sunday morning.

Frank Foster, who has been to the army, has returned home.

Frank Fox and family visited Harlan Gruber and wife Sunday.

David Foist, of Seymour, was here on business Saturday.

Our school is closed for several days on account of the teachers being sick.

Attendance at Sunday school, 25; collection, 24 cents.

Master Johnnie Gruber was the guest of his grandparents a few days of last week.

C. E. Fox and family was guests of Frank Miller and family Sunday.

Mrs. Otto Montgomery died at her home near here Sunday morning, Jan. 31, aged 43 years. She leaves a husband and four children and a host of friends to mourn her loss. Funeral was held Tuesday afternoon conducted by Rev. T. D. Hall.

**The Death Penalty.**

A little thing sometimes results in death. Thus a mere scratch, insignificant cuts or punny boils have paid the death penalty. It is wise to have Bucklen's Arnica Salve ever handy. It's the best salve on earth and will prevent fatality, when burns, sores, ulcers and piles threaten. Only 25c, at W. F. Peter Drug Co.

**BARNES.**

Eva Bridges, of Comiskey is visiting her cousin, Gertha Davis.

The democrats of Marion township met in convention at Mosley Friday and elected John Abdon as committee-man.

Ethel Lewis attended the funeral of her cousin, James Goss, aged fourteen, at the Green cemetery, near Vernon last Thursday.

Frank P. Davis and wife visited J. M. Bridges and family, at Comiskey Sunday.

The Sunday school at Marion, is starting off with renewed interest after closing during the winter for several years.

According to the new arrangements the Comiskey R. F. D. No. 1, will supply more of our people when changed. It comes within one half mile of Seymour, No. 2, and Crothersville No. 2.

**SAUERS.**

John Pollert who has been working at Colorado for some time, returned home.

Mrs. Harmon Patmon, who has been sick for some time is recovering slowly.

Edward Brand has the grip.

Henry Steinkamp made a business trip to Brownstown Wednesday.

Quite a number of our farmers delivered wheat at Ewing during the past week.

Prof. Dohne is improving slowly.

There is quite an amount of sickness in this community.

Harmon and Fred Waldoether visited their friend, George Dickmeyer at Tampico Saturday.

Waldoether & Sons are busy sawing lumber. Their yard is over-crowded with logs.

**PEA RIDGE.**

James L. Trueblood returned to his home last Saturday to Vincennes after a pleasant visit with relatives and friends.

Charley Henderson and Fred Vawter were on the Ridge Sunday.

Arthur Bergdett is unable to attend school by a horse falling upon him and dislocating his shoulder.

Wm. Shields and family spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dalton.

Seba Starr and daughter, Orpha, Cora Hughes, Leonard Barnett and Harvey Lee, of Sparksville, were on the Ridge Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Trueblood called Sunday on David Brown who is still in a dangerous condition.

C. M. and J. B. Henderson were through here last week getting signers to a gravel road petition.

N. C. Plummer and wife were the guests of T. J. Plummer and family Sunday.

Several from here attended the sale at Emmett Humphries, of Oklahoma, Tuesday.

Wm. G. Martin contemplates working for T. J. Plummer the coming season.

**MARDI GRAS EXCURSIONS**

To New Orleans, Mobile and Pensacola via Pennsylvania Lines.

February 9th to 15th, inclusive, excursion tickets to New Orleans, La., Mobile, Ala., and Pensacola, Fla. will be sold via Pennsylvania Lines. Fares, time of trains, etc., furnished by ticket agents of the Pennsylvania Lines.

Special Attention En Route Given Passengers for the South.

Via Pennsylvania Short Lines. Trains run solid from Seymour to Louisville where passengers will be met by Pennsylvania representatives and assisted on trains of connecting lines. Baggage may be checked through from starting point, and every facility will be extended for a convenient and comfortable trip, if arranged for through ticket agent of Pennsylvania Lines.

Grandpa—"I feel like a youngster, like a youth of 20, young, strong and healthy. I lay it all to Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea." Good for the aged and infirm. 35 cents, tea or tablets. W. F. Peter Drug Co.

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**TAMPICO.**

The roads are in fine shape for sleighing and those who have sleighs are losing no time.

Herman Bueening was a business caller here Saturday.

H. Toppe and Wm. Geocker, of Crothersville, were here looking after timber Friday.

Last Friday morning just before daylight a lamp exploded in the sitting room of John Daneke's residence. One of the ladies had stepped into a bed room to call the rest of the family to rise and when she returned the flames were blazing high. The family soon arose and extinguished the fire. The window curtains, paper, some books, a comfort, and a table cover were burned.

Will Terkhorn lost a fine jersey cow last Monday.

Albert Breitfield had an attack of La Grippe last week.

Prof. Dona will not teach until the school closes. His health will not permit. The pupils of that parochial district will go to the public schools.

Some of the farmers are putting up ice this week.

Quite a number from here attended the pie social at No. 6 last Thursday night.

Creed Cooley returned home last Friday.

Rev. Lester preached two very interesting sermons here Sunday morning and night.

**SURPRISE.**

Mrs. Elizabeth Rumph is reported worse.

Miss Ola Cole is slowly improving.

Virgil Miller and Miss Ada Stevens of Brownstown, visited the latter's parents Sunday.

Quarterly meeting will be held at the U. B. church Saturday and Sunday.

Charlie Brooks has gone to Washington county.

Miss Katie Wheeler had to close the Meyers school, of which she is teacher, on account of the measles.

Protracted meeting closed at the M. E. church Friday night with several new additions.

Preaching at the Christian church next Saturday and Sunday.

Dave Stevens will move his family to Brownstown this week. Mr. Stevens and family made many friends during their short residence here, who will be sorry to see them go.

Charlie Phegley of Brown county, is at the home of his uncle, George Phegley, with the measles. Several persons have been exposed.

Ed Owens is very sick at the home of his mother of lung fever.

Misses Jesse and Hazel Owens have the mumps.

On account of the deep snow many of the scholars were absent from school last week.

Jason Campbell, a respected young man of this place, and Miss Ola Wheeler of Freetown, were united in marriage. We wish them a prosperous and happy future.

**Will Write Insurance.**

Clark B. Davis has purchased Chas. Leininger's insurance business and the same will be turned over to him the first of the week. Mr. Leininger will give his attention to other business. Mr. Davis will office in the Standt building over Nicholson's cigar store. He will write both fire and life insurance.

All who use Atomizers in treating nasal catarrh will get the best result from Ely's Liquid Cream Balm. Price including spraying tube, 75 cts. Sold by druggists or mailed by Ely Bros., 50 Warren St., N. Y.

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Every time you cough take 5 drops of Brazilian Balm. 50 doses 25 cents.

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**WEATHER INDICATIONS.**  
CHICAGO, Ill., February 2, 1904.  
Generally fair tonight and Thursday.  
Probably colder Thursday.

**Offered Good Money.**  
Senator Beveridge has received  
from a reputable firm an offer of \$750  
a week for twenty weeks, for a series  
of Chautauquan lectures during the  
present year. He has declined. On  
one occasion he was offered \$1,000 for  
a single evening's lecture and declined  
with thanks. He has never appeared  
on the lecture platform and does not  
expect to do so.

**Successful Meeting.**  
A meeting of twenty-five days at the  
Methodist church at Brownstown has  
closed. It was conducted by the pas-  
tor, Rev. T. W. Northcott. During  
the meetings there were sixty-eight  
conversions. It is reported as one of  
the most successful meetings ever held  
in Brownstown.

**Hanover Gets \$20,000.**  
The joint will of Dr. A. Y. Moore,  
deceased, and his wife, also deceased,  
was probated Monday at Madison.  
It leaves the homestead and \$300 a  
year to their adopted daughter, Ella  
A. Moore, and \$20,000 to Hanover  
College.

**Fiftieth Birthday.**  
William Thiele, one of the promi-  
nent residents of Dudleytown, celebrated  
his fiftieth birthday Sunday January,  
24. Many relatives and friends were  
invited in to spend the day and all had  
a most enjoyable time.

**Pensioners, Look Here.**  
Mrs. W. R. England will execute  
pension vouchers tomorrow at the  
same old place.

**Tonight.**  
The public is invited to hear Miss  
Glenn at the Presbyterian church to-  
night at 7:30 o'clock. No admission.

The next attraction at the opera  
house will be "Reuben in New York."  
Watch for the date.

Since James Blair fell and hurt  
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**CITIZENS MEETING**  
C. N. Wilson of the C. G. & R. Traction Co. will be here tonight.

As previously announced C. N. Wilson, secretary and general manager of Columbus, Greensburg and Richmond Traction Company will be here tonight to consult with Seymour citizens about extending this line on to Seymour. He will address a public meeting at the council chamber at 7:30 tonight to which every citizen of Seymour is invited.

At this meeting he will tell of the plans and purposes of the C. G. & R. The road will be built and it will be extended on to Louisville. A corps of surveyors are now at work between Columbus and Greensburg.

Go out tonight and meet Mr. Wilson and hear what he has to say.

**U. G. & R. Traction Company.**  
A public meeting will be held in Seymour tonight addressed by C. N. Wilson, general manager of Columbus, Greensburg & Richmond traction line, and others.

The idea is to see what interesting Seymour people will take in encouraging the extension of the line from Columbus to Seymour.

This company is next to the strongest traction company in the state.—Columbus Times.

**M. E. Appointments.**  
Evangelistic services at 7:30 each evening this week except Saturday at the M. E. church. Also meeting at 2:30 tomorrow afternoon. These meetings are growing in interest and all are invited to attend.

Quarterly meeting next Sunday. Love feast at 9:30 a. m. Rev. G. D. Wolfe, of Columbus, will preach at 10:30 after which the sacramental service will be observed.

**Honor Roll.**  
The following persons had their names recorded on the yearly roll of honor at the Rockford Sunday school last Sunday, having been present each Sunday during the year.  
Nancy Conner, George Conner, Jr., Pearl Conner, Stephen Enos, Arno Seifker, Clara Rapp, Supt. W. H. Rapp, Willie Kendall and Goldie Kendall.

**Seymour Grange will Meet.**  
Seymour Grange No. 2142, patrons of husbandry will meet at Hancock's hall at 1 o'clock in the afternoon of Thursday, February 4th, 1904. All charter members who have not taken the obligations of the order are notified to attend that meeting and complete their fraternal relation.  
J. W. HOLMES, W. M.  
JOHN AULD FORSYTHE, Secy.

**Children Did Well.**  
The only redeeming feature of the show at the opera house last night was the children, and the fear is that they will be spoiled if they travel with this "Man to Man" company very long. The audience last night wished for more children and fewer grown-up actors.

**Attention, Knights!**  
Hermion lodge No. 44, K. of P., will have work in the rank of Esquire Thursday evening.  
C. H. WIETHOFF, C. C.  
J. W. MASSMANN, K. of R. & S.

**Christian Church Meeting.**  
The Jackson County Co-operative Christian Missionary Association will meet in Brownstown Saturday Feb. 13, for the purpose of electing five trustees of the Association. All members of the Christian church throughout the county are invited to this meeting.  
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**The Retail Clerks Want**  
The earnest efforts of everybody to do their trading before 6 o'clock. This is the only city of any size not favoring the clerk in shortening his hours of labor.  
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**PERSONAL.**  
Cliff Weithoff was at Columbus today.  
Gail Hopewell made a business trip to Medora today.  
Mrs. Ben Weil visited relatives at Brownstown today.  
William Goecker was here from Crothersville last evening.  
Thomas J. Clark made a business trip to Brownstown today.  
Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Love have returned from a visit at Bedford.  
Jos. C. Brown spent today with relatives and friends at Columbus.  
Elisha Grimes came up from Crothersville last evening on business.  
Miss Ethel Scoopmire, of Holton, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Joe Smith.  
O. P. Glasson, of Redding township was a business visitor in town today.  
C. S. Brolyer and John L. Vogel transacted business at Elizabethtown today.

Mrs. Jack Hagel who has been dangerously sick, is reported much better today.  
Mrs. Alice Thomas returned to Greencastle today after a pleasant visit with friends here.

Fred Notter and wife have gone to Lebanon, Ky., to spend some time with relatives and friends.

Mrs. George Barkley who has been sick for several months at Indianapolis, is improving nicely.

Mrs. S. A. Traylor, formerly of this city, is confined to her home at Indianapolis with rheumatism.

Attorneys O. H. Montgomery, W. T. Branaman and J. H. Shea were at Columbus on legal business today.

A. J. Ross returned last evening from Washington where he went to attend the funeral of Henry Muster.

John Herman yesterday moved his family and household goods into the Mrs. R. F. White property on Indianapolis avenue.

A. W. Beal, traveling salesman for a southern lumber company, after transacting business in the city, left for Bedford on the noon train.

Mrs. Nancy C. Ball and granddaughter, Miss Florence Sargent, returned today from Knightstown and will spend a month here, the guests of Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Sargent.

John W. Kern and Alonzo Green Smith, two well known democrats, passed through today on their way to Indianapolis from French Lick where they consulted with Thos. Taggart.

Mrs. Deborah Hatfield, of Indianapolis, who has relatives and friends in this city, received a hard fall a few days ago dislocating her little finger from which she is suffering greatly.

**RAILROAD RUMBLINGS.**  
Ed. Howerton, the Pennsylvania baggage man has returned from Charleston, Ill.

John Overman bridge carpenter on the P. C. C. & St. L. is laying off on account of hurting his back.

Engineer Peter Edrick and wife, of Cincinnati, are visiting the latter's sister, Mrs. Joe Dixon, and family.

Conductor Harry Borman, after a visit here with his family returned to Cincinnati yesterday to resume his run.

Howard Railing went west on the local this morning. He is learning the road with a view to becoming a fireman.

Monday W. H. Brimson took charge as general superintendent of the B. & O. S. W. succeeding D. D. Carothers, who went to the B. & O. as chief engineer. L. F. Boeh, of Cincinnati, is now division engineer of the division between Cincinnati and Washington succeeding J. B. Carothers, who becomes superintendent of the Ohio division.

**Suicide Prevented.**  
The startling announcement that a preventative of suicide had been discovered will interest many. A run down system, or dependency invariably precede suicide and something has been found that will prevent that condition which makes suicide likely. At the first thought of self destruction take Electric Bitters. It being a great tonic and nerve will strengthen the nerves and build up the system. It's also a great stomach, liver and kidney regulator. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by W. F. Peter Drug Co.

**Advertised Letters.**  
The following is a list of letters remaining in the postoffice at Seymour and if not called for within 14 days will be sent to the dead letter office:

**LADIES**  
Miller, Ada Mrs.  
Shirrell, Minnie  
**GENTS.**  
Corn, Thos. Mr.  
Johnson, Ira Rev.  
Meyer, John H.  
Stafford, George Mr.  
Tucker, J. M.  
Thompson, Charley Mr.  
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Seymour, Feb. 1, 1904.

**EXCURSIONS TO NEW YORK.**  
Via Pennsylvania Lines in February and March.  
Excursion rates to New York, as count spring meetings of Merchants' Association will be in effect via Pennsylvania lines February 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th; also on February 27th, 28th, and 29th; and March 1st, 1904. The sale of tickets will be governed by the certificate plan, which will be fully explained by ticket agents of the Pennsylvania lines. Apply to J. W. Wray ticket agent for particulars.

**BEDFORD MURDER MYSTERY.**  
Detectives Still Groping in the Dark.—Miss Love's Signed Statement.

If the latest reports sent out from Bedford are true the murder of Miss Schafer is yet far from solution. Two or three different times rumors went out that the officers were just about to arrest some one, that the chain of evidence fastening the crime on some person was just about complete, but all such rumors were without foundation. Up to noon today no one had been arrested and the public knows of no likelihood of an arrest in the immediate future.

Clue after clue has been followed and theory after theory has been exploded. New theories are sprung every day which gives the yellow sensational reporters on the ground material for more copy. And no matter what the color of the stuff sent in the public reads it all.

The signed statement of Miss Eva Love, the roommate of Miss Schafer, just published in the Indianapolis News, is given below. It is a clear and sincere statement and forcible enough to bring a blush of shame to the face of the "yellow" sleuths who have so persistently intimated that she was keeping back something that if told might lead to the apprehension of the murderer.

**MISS LOVE'S STATEMENT.**

BEDFORD, Ind., February 1.—It is true that I was at Indianapolis on January 1. I was not with Miss Schafer, but went with a lady friend that was visiting me during the holidays. This was before I ever began rooming with Miss Schafer. This I surely had a right to do without its being called in question by the press. I surely have a right to visit any place I please so long as the place of my visit is reputable. Why should I be criticised for it? I have never been guilty of a dishonest act or a disreputable act in my life. I have always lived honestly and uprightly, and the people who are questioning my acts now seem to forget they ever had a mother or a sister. I know absolutely nothing of the murder of my roommate, Miss Sarah Schafer. I have no knowledge of the least suspicious circumstance that would point in the direction of the murderer. If I had I would not hesitate to tell it. There would be no need of dragging me before the board of inquiry to get from me any statement that would throw the least bit of light on the crime.

I loved Miss Schafer, and she loved me. If she had any secret that might have caused her death, she did not tell me. I am sure I had no secret that in any way could bring injury to her. There ought to be a limit to the manner in which my name has been so recklessly handled, and there must be law that will protect a woman who is trying to earn her own living and acting in accord with the dictates of an upright conscience. I want to thank The Indianapolis News for the way they have treated me.

I ask that you publish this statement from me.  
If I was able to give the least information for the terrible death of my roommate I certainly would do so.  
EVA LOVE.

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"Where am I? What does all this mean?" asked John Thompson, the B. & O. fireman, who was injured Thursday night at Cullom's station, as he regained consciousness Saturday at the city hospital, says the Cincinnati Post.

"Oh yes; I know now," he said, as he passed his hands over his eyes. "It was a wreck. We were about an hour late, and making up time nicely."

"The last thing I remember is of seeing the freight right on us. The rest is all a blank."

"Who else was hurt? Did Muster get hurt?"

There was no answer. Thompson saw the hesitancy and then in pleading tones he cried: "My God, was poor old Muster killed? Tell me the truth."

A nod of the head, and then covering his face with both hands Thompson wept and murmured: "Poor old chap! Poor old chap!"

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Excursion tickets to Atlanta, Ga., will be sold via Pennsylvania Lines February 20th and 21st, account Department of Superintendence National Educational Association. For fares, time of trains, etc., apply to Ticket Agents of the Pennsylvania Lines.

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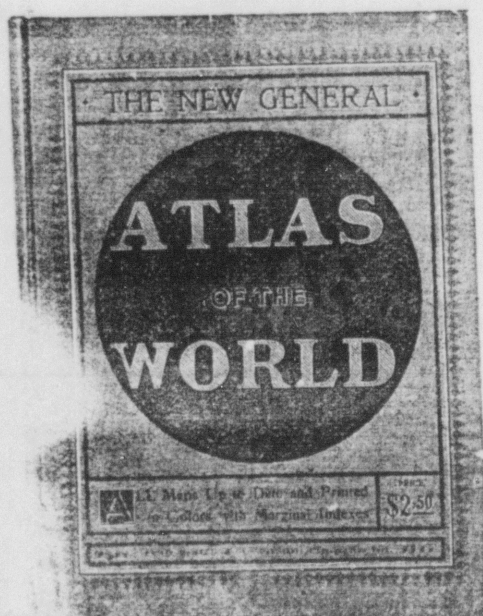
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## STATE NEWS NOTES

Various Matters of Interest to Hoosiers Briefly Presented Here.

### INCREASED KNOWLEDGE

Movement for the Extension of Libraries of Special Value to Farming Communities.

State Library Commission Arranging to Put Books on Farming in Circulation.

Indianapolis, Feb. 3.—That the farmers of Indiana may be supplied with the best literature on agricultural subjects, the state library commission is compiling a list of such books and is preparing to put them into the circulating libraries. The agricultural department of Purdue university has been asked to submit titles of books that would be especially advantageous to the farmer. It is expected that within a few months books devoted to agricultural subjects will be one of the regular departments of the traveling libraries.

This step is taken to meet the increasing desire on the part of the Indiana farmer within the last few years to make a scientific study of his business. The Indiana farmer is familiarizing himself with the chemistry of farming, and the natural forces that govern the production of grain.

The farmers have, too, become interested in the circulating libraries and much of the time of the farmers' institutes has been given to the discussion of library work. The farmers requested that books bearing on the growing of crops, besides other subjects connected with farm life, be put in the circulating libraries. The various phases of farm life are now part of the daily program in the district school in Indiana.

### INTERESTING PROPOSITION

Mr. Blatchley Would Make Road Makers of Convicts.

Indianapolis, Feb. 3.—The contract labor system now in force in the state prisons was severely criticised by State Geologist Blatchley in an address before the farmers' state congress of Indiana, which is holding its annual session in the statehouse. "The Utility of Convict Labor in Making Road Material" was the subject of his address.

"The contract labor system is a system which often leads to debauchery and corruption of public officers," said Mr. Blatchley. "It is a system that robs labor, destroys factories and turns over to private individuals an asset of labor which should be used for the benefit of the people. The lawbreaker owes a debt to the community and any profits accruing from his labor should go to the community."

In order to abolish the evils in the contract system and to improve the roads of Indiana, he advocated the using of the vast, undeveloped deposits of shale and fire-clay which, by practical tests, have been found suitable for making the best paving brick. He would have the general assembly purchase an extensive bed of shale in western Indiana and erect a modern brick factory. He would equip the factory with convict labor and put several hundred additional convicts to breaking stone for foundations and cutting it for curbing. This brick and stone could then be furnished at the plant at less than one-sixth present prices to the counties devoid of other road material or, if they are unwilling to buy it, the material could be given to them.

### Decatur County Fox Drive.

Greensburg, Ind., Feb. 3.—The cold weather has caused foxes in Decatur county to slaughter many young lambs and chickens on farms, and to clear the county of the animals the farmers have organized four drives for next Saturday in as many parts of the county. The county is thick with posters announcing the boundary lines of the drives. No guns or dogs will take part in the events. The fur of the foxes is said to be above the average this year, and the pelts of captured animals will be sold to meet the expenses of the drives.

### Held on Embezzlement Charge.

Brazil, Ind., Feb. 3.—T. C. Lewis, Republican representative from Clay and Owen counties, was arrested charged with embezzling \$670.43 of Miners' local union No. 444 of this city. Lewis was secretary and treasurer of the local. He was taken before Justice Couch, where he waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to the circuit court under bond of \$800. Lewis went to jail in default of bond.

### The Deadly Football.

Lafayette, Ind., Feb. 3.—During a football game between the Dayton and Klondike elevens on Thanksgiving day, which was fiercely contested, Ray Edwards, near Dayton, received injuries to the spine which have terminated fatally.

### Bullet Proof Present.

South Bend, Ind., Feb. 3.—The Zeglin Bullet-proof Coat company has made a bullet-proof coat that it will send to President Roosevelt as a present.

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### LEESVILLE

The snow was eighteen inches deep Tuesday morning and the thermometer dropped to eighteen degrees below zero.

James Baxter and Buddie Jones visited relatives at Bedford last week.

Mary C. Morgan returned to her home at Washington Friday after a week's visit with friends.

D. L. Douglass and family visited John Wray and wife, near Leatherwood, Friday night.

Quite a number of our old people as well as the young folks had a pleasant time sleighing Sunday.

Miss Nora Gibson who has been sick for some time is no better.

Tom Plummer and wife and Next Plummer and wife, of the Ridge, were here Sunday.

Grandma Tryon, an aged lady of Sparksville, died Wednesday night at the home of her son James and was buried at Dixon cemetery Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. She would have been 100 years old in May.

Born to Ike Henderson and wife, Jan. 31, a son.

Wm. Stanley, of Campbelsburg, was here Saturday looking for mules.

Mrs. Emma Henderson, who visited her father, Rev. Martin Hughes, for two weeks, returned to Freetown Friday.

Dr. Butler and Lagrange are conducting a sanatorium here for the cure of morphine, whiskey and tobacco habits.

Democrats from here attended convention at Bedford Saturday and one on his return home thought he was in Cincinnati.

Wm. Sutherland was appointed postmaster here.

George Glover is quite popular with his broncho and new sleigh.

Masonic lodge was well attended here Saturday night.

Protracted meeting begins Monday night at the M. E. church.

Henry Pleenor sold his farm and moved to Ft. Ritner this week.

John Hubbard goes to Greene county this week to help out a large tract of timber.

Elza Brock is at Sparksville a part of his time overseeing his goose farm.

Mrs. Mary A. Hill, who has been at Bedford attending her sick mother, returned home Saturday.

Miss Mary Reed, of Oolitic, is visiting relatives here.

Dr. Matlock, of Medora, was here Saturday.

### Suicide Prevented.

The startling announcement that a preventative of suicide had been discovered will interest many. A run down system, or despondency invariably precede suicide and something has been found that will prevent that condition which makes suicide likely. At the first thought of self destruction take Electric Bitters. It being a great tonic and nerve will strengthen the nerves and build up the system. It's also a great stomach, liver and kidney regulator. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by W. F. P. Drug Co.

### JONESVILLE.

Mrs. Burt Thomas, of Indianapolis, visited relatives here last week and returned to her home Sunday morning.

Will Pursfield is sick of fever at his home here.

Tom and Will Merritt, of Ogilville, were in our village Saturday evening sleigh riding.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips went to Columbus Sunday morning.

Miss Ida Seale came home from Columbus Saturday to spend a few days with her parents here.

Frank Harris who has been very sick of pneumonia, is reported some better.

Rev. Chapple, county Evangelist, held services at the Christian church here Sunday.

Miss Jobel Talkington is very sick at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Parker of Columbus, spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Prather at this place.

Since the Abel murder case is over, two of our citizens have returned.

The infant daughter of Treu Hubbard and wife is sick of lung trouble.

### End of Bitter Fight.

"Two physicians had a long and stubborn fight with an abscess or my right lung" writes J. F. Hughes, of DuPont, Ga., "and gave me up. Everybody thought my time had come. As a last resort I tried Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption. The benefit I received was striking and I was on my feet in a few days. Now I've entirely regained my health." It conquers all coughs, colds and throat and lung trouble. Guaranteed by F. Peter Drug Co. Price 50c, W. \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

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For Early Ratification.

Washington, Feb. 3.—It is the general expectation in administration circles that the Panama canal treaty will be ratified about the middle of the present month.

Crushed Between Rollers.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Feb. 3.—Theodore Robbins, employed in the rolling mill, was caught and drawn between the giant rollers. His body was crushed flat.

### TERSE TELEGRAMS

Paul Stern, a young officer of the Prussian army, committed suicide, at San Antonio, Tex., by shooting.

Wm. C. Whitney, former secretary of the navy, is dead at New York from the effects of an operation for appendicitis.

Cuban authorities are investigating the incident with a view of punishing the parties who threw mud on the door of the American consulate at Cienfuegos.

Sylvester S. Morris committed suicide by hanging himself at the county jail, at Valparaiso, Ind., while waiting for a court of inquiry to pass upon his sanity.

Trading on a mammoth scale is going on in corn and oats on the Chicago board of trade. Manipulation by prominent operators caused a marked advance in both cereals.

The home of Peter Christensen, at Council Bluffs, was destroyed by fire and his five children, ranging from a babe in arms to eleven years, were burned to death and Mrs. Christensen was fatally burned.

W. Bourke Cockran was nominated as the Democratic candidate for congress in the Twelfth New York district convention to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. McClellan, now mayor of New York.

At Whitesburg, Ky., Harvey, Ha, Jr., refused to pay for a pig which he had bought of Benjamin Anderson, his brother-in-law. Anderson then spit open Ha's head with an ax, killing him instantly. Anderson is locked up.

George's Kind Permission.

"Mary," her father called downstairs, "just ask your man if he doesn't think it's pretty near bedtime!"

"Yes, papa," replied the sweet girl, after a pause. "George says if you're sleepy go to bed, by all means."—Tolledo Bee.

Beaconsfield's "Don'ts."

An inquiring and aspiring person once asked Beaconsfield to tell him the secret of social success. "Never discuss the authorship of the 'Letters of Junius,'" was the reply.

Beaconsfield's biographer, Mr. Wilfrid Meynell, adds something positive to this witty negative rule for getting on in the world. A distinguished member of parliament begged the Victorian statesman to tell his young son something to remember, something that would help to make him an agreeable and popular member of society.

Beaconsfield hedged. "Model yourself after your father," he said to the lad.

This was not altogether satisfactory, and the M. P. insisted upon a definite rule of conduct.

"Well, my boy," said Beaconsfield, "be amusing. Never tell unkind stories. Above all, never tell long ones."

A Large Fish.

An Englishman visiting Lake Tahoe asked a native if there was any good fishing in the lake.

"Oh, yes, stranger."

"What kind of fish do you catch here?"

"Oh, all kinds, stranger."

"What is the weight of the largest fish you ever caught?"

"Waal, stranger, we don't take weighing machines when we go fishing, and I am an honest man and wouldn't like to say how much that last trout I caught would weigh. But I tell you, stranger, that when I pulled that fish out of the water the lake went down a foot."—Birmingham Post.

Pessimistic View.

Sentimental Wife (reading from a novel)—"And, clasping the beautiful girl to his heart, the hero pressed his burning lips to her snowy brow."

Practical Husband—Yes, and I'll bet a dollar to a doughnut he'll be down with pneumonia in the next chapter.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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No. 19.....	9:50 a.m.
No. 33.....	3:35 p.m.
No. 5.....	4:54 p.m.
No. 3.....	10:07 p.m.

SOUTH BOUND.

No. 6.....	5:15 a.m.
No. 30.....	8:35 a.m.
No. 2.....	10:06 a.m.
No. 18.....	5:40 p.m.
No. 32.....	8:42 p.m.
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ARRIVE. DEPART.

No. 12 4:40 a.m. daily.....4:43 a.m.

No. 4 9:10 a.m. ".....9:14 a.m.

No. 2 3:46 p.m. ".....3:49 p.m.

No. 8 4:50 p.m. dly ex Sun 4:55 p.m.

WESTBOUND. DEPART.

No. 5 5:24 a.m. dly ex Sun 5:27 a.m.

No. 9 5:24 a.m. Sunday only 5:27 a.m.

No. 7 10:20 a.m. dly ex Sun 10:23 a.m.

No. 1 11:20 a.m. daily.....11:23 a.m.

No. 3 11:55 p.m. ".....11:58 p.m.

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STATIONS. EVERY DAY.

A. M. P. M.

Terre Haute.....7:00 11:30

Linton.....7:00 12:30

Beaumont.....7:15 12:45

Elmore.....7:25 12:55

Indian Springs.....8:00 1:24

Bedford.....8:43 2:08

Seymour